## Amendment to the Abstract

Delete the Abstract at page 57 and replace it with the Abstract shown below.

## **ABSTRACT**

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This invention relates to human fibroblast growth factor (hFGF-23), to cleavage products of hFGF-23, and to variants thereof and polynucleotides encoding FGF-23. The invention also relates to mouse fibroblast growth factor (MFGF-23), and to variants thereof and polynucleotides encoding mFGF-23.